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Albany Sept. 17th 1853.

My dear Sir;

Inclosed you will please find a
Dft. for the amt. you had the kindness to loan
me as we came on. Prof. Hall started yesterday
morning to attend some business in Western
Virginia, and requested me to say to you that he
feels under many obligations to you for this, and
the various ^{other} favors you did us while at your place.

Our collection arrived here in safety soon after
our return, and Prof. Hall is very well pleased
with it, though he regrets that we could not have
stayed longer and explored more of the country.
Prof. Baird was here yesterday soon after Prof.
Hall left, to see our collection, he pronounced
it magnificent, and vastly superior to all the
collections heretofore brought from that region—
(He has not yet seen Dr. Evans late collection)

We have better specimens of everything described
by Seely than anything figured by him, besides
some undescribed things of much interest.

We expect Prof. Agassiz here as soon as Prof.



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Hall comes back.

Mr. Hayden is well, and sends his Respts.
Prof. Hall says he will send you a list
of our plants, as soon as Mr. Hayden can
have time to look them over.

In great haste I remain with much

Respect & Sincerely Yours

Dr. George Engelmann

F. D. Meek

St. Louis

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